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FOR METHOD OF INTEGRATING )

TIRE IDENTIFICATION INTO A )

VEHICLE INFORMATION SYSTEM )

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Robert Leon Benedict, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am the sole inventor of claims 1-18 of the patent application identified above and inventor of the subject matter described and claimed therein.
2. Prior to October 9, 2001, I completed my invention as described and claimed in the subject application in this country, as evidenced by the following:
  - a. Prior to October 9, 2001, having earlier conceived the idea of integrating tire identification into a vehicle information system, I submitted an invention disclosure dated October 9, 2001, as evidenced by the copy submitted hereto as Exhibit A.
  - b. Since the conception of my invention prior to October 9, 2001, reduction to practice was diligently pursued culminating in the filing of the subject application on October 22, 2003.
  - c. The Date of Conception and Date of First written description, deleted from Exhibit A, are both prior to November 5, 2002.

Robert Leon Benedict  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day of May, 2005.

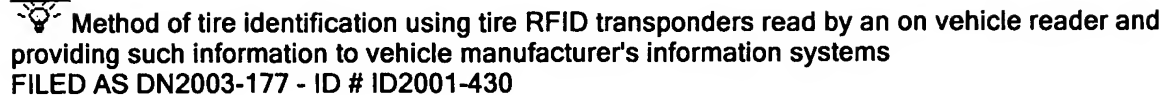


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